

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

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Section V (2):

Claims 1 to 6 satisfy the requirements pursuant to Article 33 (2) – (4) of the Patent Cooperation Treaty as the safe knife sheath comprising a sheath body and a movable blade support has not been taught or obviously suggested by the existing prior art. The structure of the safe knife sheath as described in Claims 1 to 6 has not been disclosed in the existing prior art.